I have just learned of Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. This decision is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

I believe Sinclair may be trying to influence the upcoming election and this disturbs me. Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. The license renewal process for media companies needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.